

Now who is going to be governor of the Danish West Indies is a dandy chance to exile some low with a budding presidential on—Atlanta Constitution.

Andrew Carnegie regards the Philippine war as a disgrace. And many other people feel that way, but don't like to say anything about it—Post Dispatch.

Last issue of the Farmington says many nice things of our dead and neighbor, Hon. Moses Whybark. Well, Bro. Denman, are after the right man and all have said is true "to the letter." There is not a better man in the republican party, nor one better qualified for the supreme judgeship in a Moses Whybark.

Great damage is reported from many parts of the country by the very latest that fell last week. Many places much damage was done by the weight of ice causing roofs of buildings, the roofs being damaged by water. A stock has suffered too, and as the weather moderates in a time heavy losses will result.

Some idea of municipal rascality may be gained by reading the St. Louis daily papers. A scandal of first magnitude has recently been unearthed there in connection with the Suburban Railway franchise, in which men of wealth, high position and political station are shown their disrespect for or, their contempt for law and they have the confidence of the public. A number of indictments have been returned, for bribery and perjury, and the end is not yet.

The administration of state affairs Gov. Dockery up to the present has been all that the members of the democratic party would want, able and statesmanlike. The emphatic attack of the Globe Democrat upon him and the balance of state administration has only led to make his successful administration of state affairs shine greater luster. Gov. Dockery statesman and no one knows it better than the Globe Democrat, under whose Democrat News.

William J. Bryan has become a hero at Washington, Pennsylvania, where he addressed the outburst of the public schools last week, and to be kissed by the ladies—Farmington Herald.

Bryan is too smart a man to fight on that kind of string. There are few persons who do not appreciate the plaudits of admiring, but there is no reason why friends should allow their influence to lead them to imprudences that are liable to become subject of vulgar jest and ridicule.

The Howel County News howls at Congressman Vandiver being over of a bridge to span the Mississippi at Cape Girardeau, his home town. Where would the have Vandiver build this bridge—in some town down in Louisiana or Mississippi—or would News prefer him to build a bridge across the Mississippi River west of Plains? The News seems to have lost out on its geography. Mississippi is a mighty stream, the bridges would be few and far between for some time to come, and cannot be built at every "mash town" along its course. There would you have a town for a bridge that would better benefit whole section of Missouri and Arkansas than Cape Girardeau?—Willow Springs Index.

**Filed From Republic**

New York Press, Republican, endorses protest against the proposition that the tariff duties on Cuban sugar be reduced. The Press says: "The American people on sentiment grounds think they ought to give \$40,000,000 this year or every year, when go down into the pockets of all American people for the gift, and into the pockets of a few interested for propretion and spoliation. Governor Wood or President Roosevelt anybody else wants Santa Claus that forty millions into Cuba's sugar stock, why in the name of American industries and American people should the forty millions be thrown into two or three stockings in the pockets of American homes? Why not all?"

Republican papers have all along told the foreigner pays the tax and a high protective tariff is to the injury of the American people, rather of special benefit to any one concern, being true, but the abolition of all on Cuban sugar would be equivalent to "going down into the pockets of the American people for the gift." However, the Press is justified in saying that by the abolition or reduction of tariff on Cuban sugar \$40,000,000 will be taken from "two or three stockings in the pockets of American homes," then the question naturally arises, how does it happen that the re-

publican party has persistently advocated a tariff policy that would place \$40,000,000 in "two or three of the stockings in the pockets of American homes?"

And if a tariff on sugar would mean \$40,000,000 in "two or three of the stockings in the pockets of American homes?"

It is paid by the foreign producers of sugar to the American manufacturer or does it represent the amount "flooded" by the proprietors of the "two or three stockings in the pockets of American homes—"flooded" from the great mass of American sugar consumers, and "flooded" by reason of the republican tariff laws?—The Commoner.

**About the Asylum.**

Farmington Herald.

Referring to the falsehoods of the Globe-Democrat about the Farmington Asylum buildings being left without roofs and rotting down, and other equally infamous lies concerning the appropriation, etc., the latter Times gives the following facts:

The facts, briefly stated, are as follows: The first commission completed its labors under the first appropriation about the middle of May, 1901. The new board, having been reduced by the legislature from a membership of five to three and only one member of the old commission retained, organized and appointed its architect. The majority of the commission being new members, and wholly unacquainted with the work, had of necessity to prepare themselves by visiting institutions built on a similar plan. This was done in June. About the first of July our architect was ordered to prepare plans and specifications for dining hall, kitchen and laundry buildings. These were submitted early in September, accepted by the board and advertisements of notice to contractors inserted in the papers, one of which was the Globe-Democrat, and on October 2nd, contracts for these three buildings were awarded and active work begun, which has been rushed. The laundry building is under cover, the dining hall is ready for the roof and about one week's work will complete the walls of the kitchen. With no presidential interference, all buildings will be completed by April 1st, 1902. Shortly after that time the institution will be offered and opened up to receive patients.

In justice to Governor Dockery we desire to say that he has not attempted to delay the work by holding up the appropriations, on the contrary he has urged the commissioners to rush the work and we believe he is reasonably satisfied with the progress made.

Aside from having the most modern institution of the kind west of the Mississippi river, and some of the best and cheapest public buildings in the State, with architectural designs the equal of any found in similar institutions, we have an unlimited amount of the purest, coldest water, found at a depth of 335 feet. The pumps were put for thirty hours, pumping 1800 gallons per hour, without lowering the water a particle.

If all the Globe-Democrat's charges against the democratic administration are as baseless as this one its fight will fall very flat with the honest citizens of Missouri.

**The Signs of the Times.**

The signs are multiplying all around the political horizon that indicate a coming democratic revival. We use that last word advisedly. We mean a renewal of democratic faith, confidence and union of effort to convert a great majority of the people to sound principles and just government.

The goading and crowding by some of the brethren in congress is insignificant. They want the coming victory and are already eager to get front places in the procession. They are anxious to be where they can hold their own. "I told you so!" They are furnishing signs of promise rather than of serious discord. That there is a sanity in their seeming confusion is evidenced by their refusal to forecast issues and assume to predicate a national platform for the party in advance of the convention of 1904.

The republican party's predicament is not a happy one. They have a president on their hands. They have never before had one who was so determined to spell his title with capital letters. He is himself the x in their political equation—the unknown quantity whose value as a party-keeper and leader is yet to be worked out. They are not in beautiful agreement upon pending and urgent policies. They have inherited the reciprocity proposition, which their leaders wish to strangle, and have had thrust upon them a Cuban question which they had hoped to avoid. The Philippine policy is a two-edged sword which they are compelled to handle with the greatest care. And there are other matters, such as the isthmian canal, the surplus, the war taxes and the ship subsidy bill, that are powerfully perplexing to men who have to face the people this coming fall.

The democrats, however, have every reason to be hopeful. They have no more to do at present than to watch every move by their opponents, hang on their flanks, expose their errors, their invasions of the constitution, their evasions of the fundamental principles of free government, their extravagances with the people's money and their subservience to capital and to corporations, trusts and monopolies. Then, dropping out of the program all dead issues and past differences, they can come together on principles that no democrat can gainsay, that the common faith of the country can accept without serious argument and that a majority of patriotic Americans will support in order that "the government of the people, by the people and for the people shall not perish from the earth"—Atlanta Constitution.

**Our Correspondents**

**REASVILLE.**

Health - not good.

Dea Roy is bedfast with "grip."

Willie McMahon is sick of pneumonia fever.

Homer Hale has a very sick child at this writing.

Mrs. John Dollar of Flat River is visiting friends and relatives at this place.

One of Taylor Rea's boys is bad sick of pneumonia fever.

Coasting seems to be the go at present. Even old men enjoy the sport.

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**WOLF CREEK.**

We have been having some rough weather.

John M. Smith is improving slowly of rheumatism.

Miss Jennie Limbaugh has had another attack of hemorrhage of the lungs.

Mrs. M. A. Smith is visiting relatives and friends in Cape county.

Miss Rattie Limbaugh is sick at this writing.

J. P. Drum made a trip to Daisy Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Smith of Oak Ridge visited Mr. Smith's father Sunday.

John Masters passed through this locality a few days ago. He was buying sheep.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Johnson attended the funeral of Mrs. Johnson's brother, Robert, Friday.

Arthur Limbaugh is trading some this week, buying mules and selling horses.

B. F. Seabaugh is preparing for an entertainment at the close of his school.

J. F. Crider closed his school in the Johnson district last Saturday.

William Daugherty is confined to his room with neuralgia.

As news is scarce, I will close for this time.

**MOUNTAIN PATE.**

**M-S. ACADEMY.**

We had four new students Monday, Miss May Grant of Zaima, and Messrs. Adolph Hanley of Zaima, John Hunsicker of Sopus and George Cravat of Grassy.

Miss Ethel Reed visited home folks at Clippard last Saturday and Sunday.

Homer Jamison who has been teaching in the Snider district for Herbert Murdoch several weeks, returned to school Monday.

Miss Dora Deek spent Sunday at her home near Glen Allen.

Miss Della Warren was on the sick list last week. We hope she will soon be with us again.

Misses Rosa and Tavia Hahn of Marble Hill gave us a pleasant visit last Friday afternoon.

We extend our sympathy to the Murdoch family in their sad loss and hope that Miss Katie will be able to join her classmates in a few days.

The seating capacity of the two lower rooms has to be increased to accommodate the students.

Prof. Hendorsh has ordered his goods and will go to house keeping when they arrive. It seems that he will cast his lot with the Mayfield-Smith Academy.

We are sorry to note that the only son of Dr. W. H. Mayfield, the founder of Mayfield-Smith Academy, died in St. Louis, at his father's home last Tuesday.

The bereaved father and mother have the tenderest sympathy of the students of the M-S. Academy.

**NATTY BUMPO.**

**ZAIMA.**

Again mother earth is wrapped in a mantle of snow and ice.

The box factory hands are getting a rest now.

Our mill runs only part of the time during the cold weather.

The young people have jolly times skating now.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Sliokard gave an oyster supper last Tuesday night. It is useless to say the young people enjoyed themselves for they always do, there.

Mrs. Steve Simpkins is very sick.

Mr. and Mrs. James Cargle gave a party last Thursday night. The young people report a pleasant time.

Mr. Grant's team ran away last week. Miss May barely escaped injury.

Umph James went to the Cape Wednesday to see Andrew McIlmion and brought back the sad news of his death. It was a shock to the people of this community, as he spent several years of his life here and had many friends who will greatly miss him. Several from here attended the burial services at Berehaman.

**BROWN EYES.**

**BUCHANAN.**

We are having some severe winter weather.

Recent cold weather has been hard on cattle and other stock exposed to its inclemency but the good done to wheat and moisture to the ground has been of incalculable benefit to the people.

Quite a number of our people are on the sick list at present, caused I presume, by recent change of weather.

A young man named Bridges died at the factory a few days ago of something like meningitis.

Since the cold snap, not much is being done at our public works and a great many people are idle.

If the ground hog came out the 24th, he must have seen his shadow so I suppose we are in for six weeks winter yet.

Dan Corbin started to Indiana last Sunday to see his mother who is very sick.

Andrew J. McIlmion, a highly respected citizen of this place, died at Cape Girardeau, Jan. 30th, from blood poison. The remains were

brought home and laid to rest in the family cemetery Jan. 31st, at 1 o'clock p. m. A dark cloud has fallen over this entire community and everyone mourns his untimely death. He was a dutiful son, a kind brother, and an excellent citizen, and in his make-up, was all the elements necessary to complete the divine words: "An Honest Man is the noblest work of God." We all join in one accord to extend sympathy to his aged mother, his brother, and sisters in this, their hour of grief and admonish them to weep no more for his mission here was not in vain, for the world has been made better by his living in it.

**MAX ADDLER.**

**HUCKRY.**

W. D. Allen, our postmaster, contemplates moving to Marble Hill in the near future.

Joab Crites moved back to his farm recently, and Theodore Adams moved into the house vacated by Mr. Crites.

Born—January 30, to Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Ramsey, a boy, Dr. C. A. Sander.

Will Crites is now working for Elmer Robertson.

Mr. Schroeder moved to Latin, recently.

Squire Thomas Huskey came home Saturday.

Prof. John Hunsicker closed a very successful term of school in Hog Creek district No. 1, January 19. Quite a large crowd was present and a splendid program was rendered which was a credit to both teacher and pupils. Commissioner Caldwell was present and made an interesting speech which was highly appreciated by all.

Misses Ida and Hattie Hanson, Prof. J. M. Chostner and Otto Reutzel were guests of Miss May Huskey the evening of January 19. The singing at Daniel Profier's Wednesday night was well attended. Coasting and skating seems to be the favorite sport of the young folks of this vicinity.

Mrs. Mahala Cash has been quite sick, but is better at this writing.

Otto Reutzel visited his brothers at Snider's Mill last Sunday and Monday.

Squire Thomas Huskey has fully recovered from the effects of the wound he received in his hand New Year's day while hunting.

**AN OBSERVER.**

**BURLINGTON, O. T., Jan. 24, 1902.**

**EDITOR PRESS.**

I should like to apologize for not writing sooner but am afraid it might be out of order, so will proceed to give you a few items from O. T.

We are having a pleasant winter here; but very dry. Wheat is suffering for moisture as we have had neither snow or rain. Our last rain was in October accompanied by a blizzard in which a widow lady and her daughter living about nine miles from this place were frozen to death. They went after their cattle and were caught in the storm and, it is supposed, got lost as they were found about eight miles from home. There is not much sickness here at present.

Mr. Davenport recently accepted the mission work of Salt Fork Valley Association at a salary of \$50 per month. He is gone east about seventy-five miles to hold a meeting. We find the people here to be very generous and sociable.

Land is going up every day. Quite a number of farms have sold recently at \$25 per acre. A half section consisting of one resident farm and one school quarter sold for \$6,900 last week.

A wagon load of emigrants went to the new country last week to look for school land for homes.

We are not permanently located yet. We may go up in Kansas to get a home.

THE PRESS is always a welcome visitor. More anon.

**BELLE DAVAU.**

A big fire in a building adjoining the Lundel Hotel in St. Louis, Tuesday night of last week caused the several hundred guests of the hotel quite a scare; many of them left the building in their night robes.

**An Editor's Wall.**

An exchange says editing a paper is a nice thing.

If we publish jokes people will say we are rattle-brained, if we don't we are an old fossil.

If we publish original matter they say we do not give enough selections, if we give selections they say we are too lazy to write.

If we don't go to church we are a heathen, if we do we are a hypocrite.

If we remain in the office we ought to get out and bustle for locals, if we go out we are not attending to our business.

If we wear our old clothes they laugh at us.

How would you like to be an editor?

**Southeast Notes**

**Farmington Herald:**

Railroad Commissioners McCullough, Rice and Heaney went down the Belmont to day to Morley where they were called to settle a dispute between the Hoock and Iron Mountain roads over the location of the new depot.

**Federicktown Tribune:**

This week the Catherine Lead Company filed a deed of trust with Circuit Clerk McCallum for \$150,000 in favor of the Germania Trust Company of St. Louis. The deed is made as security for \$150,000 worth of bonds which will shortly be issued by that company.

**Big and Violent:**

Red Bass, a fisherman living near Indian, had on exhibition in our city Saturday a turtle head which weighed about 18 pounds. Mr. Bass is company with his son Tilden, and Leon Rogers caught the monster in a net at the mouth of Clear River in the eastern part of this county. He gives the following description: age, about 500 years; length, 9 feet; width of head from eye to eye, 9 inches; weight, 350 pounds. The head was viewed by many people.

**Deer Messenger:**

Possibly the oldest man in Missouri is William Kingsley, who resides in Stoddard county. He is reputed to be between 117 and 120 years old, and has resided in this county for nearly half a century.

He was born in Ireland before the days of the French revolution, and was a seaman in the English navy when the battle of Waterloo took place. He was on one of the transport ships that carried the English army, under Lord Wellington, across the channel to engage in the battle of Waterloo, and saw the victorious troops land upon English soil again.

At the expiration of his term of enlistment he came to America, and has lived the greatest portion of his life in this section of Missouri.

He is known in this county as "Irish Bill," and has been a well digger ever since his residence in Missouri. It is only in the past few years that he has been compelled to give up his avocation.

**New Madrid Record:**

The Capital Progress, published at Captain, Lincoln county, New Mexico, contains a very interesting account of the recent, rich gold strike in that county and says that the excitement and crowds promise to rival the famous Cripple Creek excitement of a few years ago. Mr. A. R. Byrd, formerly of Southeast Missouri, and still holding large land interests here, bought the original discovery for \$10,000 cash in hand. Mr. Byrd already owned many good mines in that part of the county but considers this latest acquisition worth more than all the rest put together and the price he paid for it extremely low. Mr. Byrd went to New Mexico in search of health, which he has found and incidentally he is on the road to a great fortune too.

**Chattanooga Courier:**

Two crooks were arrested Monday at Cairo who are thought to be connected with the Morley bank robbery, which occurred four or five weeks ago. A Pinkerton detective employed by the American Bankers' Association followed them around from several towns and they were jailed at Cairo, but not until they showed resistance and were overpowered. Among their effects was found bits, drills, electric lanterns, jacks, skeleton keys, nippers, eliminating caps, rolls of fuse, sticks of dynamite, ratchets, three rubber water boys partially filled with ether or chloroform, and two bottles containing nitro glycerine. They were both armed with 44-calibre Smith & Wesson revolvers. The gang is supposed to have "cracked a safe at East St. Louis a short time ago, and also attempted to rob the bank at Cobden.

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\$250, \$100, \$75, \$50, \$25, for the next nearest estimates in their order.

There is also a great consolation offer, \$500 will be distributed among those who fail to secure one of the larger prizes and whose estimates come within 500 bales either way of the exact figure. This allows a margin of 1000 bales within which all estimates are sure to receive part of the prize money offered. The point is to strike the estimate exactly during January. This is a possibility. In a contest similar to this the Constitution has had the number hit exactly and paid out \$1000 for the estimate. In another similar contest the estimate has come within one of the exact figure, and all the prizes offered have been paid out upon estimates that were not fifty removed from the exact estimate.

The Constitution's market page will give each week the port receipts for the cotton season from which you can always see the Savannah, Ga., port receipts from September 1, 1901 up through the Friday immediately preceding publication. This will keep you posted to within two or three days before the time you send in your estimate.

The \$2,000 contest is an express contract to which the Constitution will stand in every particular. Yet it is in its nature simply an advertisement by which the Atlanta Constitution Sunny South and THE PRESS for \$2 per year may become better known in this community, and as the subscriptions to the Atlanta Constitution and our paper at the advertised price of the two, and with it your estimate on the Savannah, Ga., Cotton Receipts for the period mentioned and we will forward all together for you. On April 15th we trust a check for \$1,000 will reach some one of our subscribers and help make times easier in this locality.

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